

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Santa Ana Region

Minutes of May 27, 2005
Regional Water Quality Control Board
3737 Main Street
Riverside

1. Chair Beswick called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m.

Board Members Present

Board Members Absent

Carole Beswick, Chair
Fred Ameri, Vice-Chair (via teleconference)
William Ruh
Jose Solorio (via teleconference)
Seymour Van Gundy
John Withers (via teleconference)

Staff Members Present

Gerard J. Thibeault, Executive Officer
Jorge León, Regional Board Legal Counsel
Kurt V. Berchtold, Assistant Executive Officer
Joanne E. Schneider, Environmental Program Manager
Kevin Heinemann, Staff Information Systems Analyst
Catherine A. Ehrenfeld, Staff Services Analyst

State Board Representative

None present

Public Attendance

Francis Logan, Law Offices of Susan M. Trager
Tim England, Highpointe Communities, Inc.
Connie S. Ramos
Ruben R. Ramos
Mark Jimenez, Center for Community Action & Environmental Justice
Davin Diaz, Center for Community Action & Environmental Justice
Rachel Lopez
Richard Lopez

Public Forum

Mark Jimenez, representing Center for Community Action & Environmental Justice, urged the Board to issue cleanup and abatement orders requiring replacement water to responsible parties in the contamination of Rialto water supply wells with perchlorate.

2. Approval of Minutes

Action: It was moved by Member Withers, seconded by Member Ruh and unanimously approved that the Minutes of the April 15, 2005 meeting be approved as presented.

3. Consent Calendar

*5. Appeal of Staff's Denial of an Exemption from the Minimum Lot Size Requirement – Ruben Ramos, 4181 Mountain Drive, San Bernardino, San Bernardino County, APN 0265-161-32.

*6. Appeal of Staff's Denial of an Exemption from the Minimum Lot Size Requirement – Angelica Soto, 21543 Perry Street, Perris, Riverside County, APN 315-212-003-9.

Action: It was moved by Member Withers and seconded by Member Solorio that the board approve the exemptions from minimum lot size requirements requested by Ruben Ramos and Angelica Soto. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved with a 6-0 vote.

8 Appeal of Staff's Denial of an Exemption from the Minimum Lot Size Requirement – Michael and Suzanne Robitzer, 16345 Trisha Way, Riverside, Riverside County, APN 273-110-035-6.

9 Renewal of Waste Discharge Requirements for Dos Cuadras Offshore Resources, LLC, Platform "Esther", Orange County (NPDS No. CA 0106828) – Order No. R8-2005-0071.

10 Waste Discharge Requirements for California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) – Order No. R8-2005-0080.

11 Waste Discharge Requirements for Coussoulis Development Company – Order No. R8-2005-0083.

12 Waste Discharge Requirements for Highpointe Communities Inc., Moreno Valley II – Order No. R8-2005-0087.

13 Waste Discharge Requirements for Entrepreneurial-Sheffield Partners, LLC – Order No. R8-2005-0088.

Action: It was moved by Member Ruh and seconded by Member Van Gundy that the Board adopt Orders No. R8-2005-0071 with errata, R8-2005-0080, R8-2005-0083, R8-2005-0087 with errata, R8-2005-0088, and approve the exemption from minimum lot size requirements requested by Michael and Suzanne Robitzer. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved with a 6-0 vote.

7. Appeal of Staff's Denial of an Exemption from the Minimum Lot Size Requirement – Richard and Rachel Lopez, 6597 Lucretia Avenue, Mira Loma, riverside County, APN 157-142-003-7.

Rachel Lopez informed the Board that they attempted to participate in the offset program, but had difficulty contacting prospective recipients due to privacy issues.

Action: It was moved by Member Withers and seconded by Member Ruh that the Board approve the exemption from minimum lot size requirements requested by Mr. and Mrs. Lopez. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved with a 6-0 vote.

14. Mandatory Penalties Complaint, Aera Energy, LLC, Huntington Beach
This item has been settled and no Board action was necessary.

15. Hazardous Waste and Sewage Spill Incident Report.

This was a written information item.

16. Underground Storage Tanks Site Closure Report.

This was a written information item.

17. Underground Storage Tanks Corrective Action Plans.

This was a written information item.

18. Quarterly Violations Report.

This was a written information item.

19. Executive Officer's Report.

Gerard Thibeault notified the Board of a town hall meeting set for Monday, June 6, 2005 from 7-9 p.m. at the Community Building in Quail Valley to discuss the septic tank issues in Quail Valley. Eastern Municipal Water District will be holding a feasibility study kick-off meeting on Friday, June 3, 2005.

20. Regional Board Member Communications.

There were none.

21. Closed Session.

There was no closed session.

22. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m. to the regular meeting of June 24, 2005, 9:00 a.m., at City of Loma Linda Council Chambers, 25541 Barton Road, Loma Linda.

Respectfully submitted:

GERARD J. THIBEAULT
Executive Officer

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